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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: K. SHIBATA

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For: PREANALYSIS TREATMENT METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
ANALYSIS OF POLYCYCLIC AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Concurrently with the filing of the above-identified application, please amend the  
above-identified application, prior to calculation of the filing fee, as listed in the following,  
and as set forth on the following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.